

## In The Claims

Please cancel Claims 19, 58, and 97 without prejudice.

Please amend Claims 18, 20, 22, 28, 33, 37-38, 57, 59, 61, 67, 72, 76-77, 96, 98, 100, 106, 111, and 115-116 as follows (Clean copy):

18. A process for presenting interactive program guide information to a user, comprising the steps of:

providing a program guide area;

wherein said program guide area is semi-transparent and overlays a broadcast program that the user is currently watching, allowing the user to see the progress of the broadcast program;

receiving user command input;

displaying a first column in said program guide area;

said first column displays channel sorting methods available to the user;

displaying a second column in said program guide area;

said second column displays available program channels in a rotating endless channel list;

wherein the user scrolls or pages up or down said channel list;

displaying a third column in said program guide area;

said third column displays a program list for a specific channel; and

wherein the user scrolls or pages up or down said program list.

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20 The process of claim 18, wherein two columns are displayed at a time.

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22 The process of claims 18, further comprising the step of:  
highlighting an element in a column; and  
said highlight step is responsive to a user's commands.

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28 The process of claims 18, further comprising the step of:

B4 displaying a start time above said second column; and  
wherein said start time is modifiable by the user.

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B5 <sup>35</sup>~~32~~ The process of claim 18, further comprising the step of:  
displaying the channel number and ID above said third column; and  
wherein said channel number and ID are modifiable by the user.

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B6 37. The process of claim 18, wherein said program list lists the start time of each  
program next to the program name, said program list is in descending order from the  
most recent time to the latest time.

38. The process of claim 18, wherein said program list lists the start time of each  
program next to the program name and continues the intermediate time intervals by  
listing each half, quarter hour, or selectable intervals, and wherein the duration of each  
program is displayed using an indicator extending from the program start time down to  
the program end time.

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B7 <sup>56</sup>~~52~~ An apparatus for presenting interactive program guide information to a user,  
comprising:

- a program guide area;
- wherein said program guide area is semi-transparent and overlays a broadcast  
program that the user is currently watching, allowing the user to see the progress of  
the broadcast program;

- a module for receiving user command input;
- a module for displaying a first column in said program guide area;  
said first column displays channel sorting methods available to the user;
- a module for displaying a second column in said program guide area;  
said second column displays available program channels in a rotating endless  
channel list;

- wherein the user scrolls or pages up or down said channel list;

- a module for displaying a third column in said program guide area;

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said third column displays a program list for a specific channel; and wherein the user scrolls or pages up or down said program list.

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The apparatus of claim ~~57~~<sup>56</sup>, wherein two columns are displayed at a time.

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The apparatus of claims ~~59~~<sup>56</sup>, further comprising:  
a module for highlighting an element in a column; and  
said highlight module is responsive to a user's commands.

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The apparatus of claims ~~57~~<sup>56</sup>, further comprising:  
a module for displaying a start time above said second column; and  
wherein said start time is modifiable by the user.

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The apparatus of claim ~~57~~<sup>56</sup>, further comprising:  
a module for displaying the channel number and ID above said third column;  
and  
wherein said channel number and ID are modifiable by the user.

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The apparatus of claim ~~57~~<sup>56</sup>, wherein said program list lists the start time of each program next to the program name, said program list is in descending order from the most recent time to the latest time.

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The apparatus of claim ~~57~~<sup>56</sup>, wherein said program list lists the start time of each program next to the program name and continues the intermediate time intervals by listing each half, quarter hour, or selectable intervals, and wherein the duration of each program is displayed using an indicator extending from the program start time down to the program end time.

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A program storage medium readable by a computer, tangibly embodying a program of instructions executable by the computer to perform method steps for presenting interactive program guide information to a user, comprising the steps of:  
providing a program guide area;

wherein said program guide area is semi-transparent and overlays a broadcast program that the user is currently watching, allowing the user to see the progress of the broadcast program;

receiving user command input;

displaying a first column in said program guide area;

said first column displays channel sorting methods available to the user;

displaying a second column in said program guide area;

said second column displays available program channels in a rotating endless channel list;

wherein the user scrolls or pages up or down said channel list;

displaying a third column in said program guide area;

said third column displays a program list for a specific channel; and

wherein the user scrolls or pages up or down said program list.

B13 <sup>95</sup>~~96~~ The method of claim <sup>94</sup>~~96~~, wherein two columns are displayed at a time.

B15 <sup>97</sup>~~100~~ The method of claims <sup>94</sup>~~96~~, further comprising the step of: highlighting an element in a column; and said highlight step is responsive to a user's commands.

B16 <sup>108</sup>~~106~~ The method of claims <sup>94</sup>~~96~~, further comprising the step of: displaying a start time above said second column; and wherein said start time is modifiable by the user.

B17 <sup>111</sup>~~110~~ The method of claim <sup>94</sup>~~96~~, further comprising the step of: displaying the channel number and ID above said third column; and wherein said channel number and ID are modifiable by the user.

B18 <sup>113</sup>~~115~~ The method of claim <sup>94</sup>~~96~~, wherein said program list lists the start time of each program next to the program name, said program list is in descending order from the most recent time to the latest time.

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~~116~~ The method of claim <sup>94</sup>~~96~~, wherein said program list lists the start time of each program next to the program name and continues the intermediate time intervals by listing each half, quarter hour, or selectable intervals, and wherein the duration of each program is displayed using an indicator extending from the program start time down to the program end time.

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